

REMARKS

Claim 1 is currently pending in the application. Applicants have amended claim 1. Applicants request reconsideration of the application in light of the following remarks.

Objection to the Drawings

Figures 1a and 1b have been objected to for failing to include a “Prior Art” label. Applicants have amended claims 1a and 1b to add the “Prior Art” label. No new matter was entered. Applicants believe that every feature of the invention specified in the claims is now shown in the drawings and respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the objection to the drawings.

Objections to Claims

The Examiner has objected to claim 1 because “ship containers” should be “shipping containers”. Applicants have amended claim 1 as suggested by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully request that the objection to claim 1 be withdrawn.

Indication of Condition for Allowance

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the indication of condition for allowance for the above referenced application but for the few formal matters. Applicant believes that all formal matters have been resolved, that the application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully request the same.

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Regarding Doctrine of Equivalents

Applicants hereby declare that any amendments herein that are not specifically made for the purpose of patentability are made for other purposes, such as clarification, and that no such changes shall be construed as limiting the scope of the claims or the application of the Doctrine of Equivalents.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

If any fees, including extension of time fees or additional claims fees, are due as a result of this response, please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0513. This authorization is intended to act as a constructive petition for an extension of time, should an extension of time be needed as a result of this response. The examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if this would in any way advance the prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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